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### Deck the halls

Anne Neave was beautifying the main street of Minden last week with boughs of cedar. As organizer of the Christmas decorations Neave and her Christmas helpers, including family and fellow co-workers, gave the streets of Minden the touch of Christmas. The entire business community and the municipality of Minden Hills have contributed. Vandalism has already occurred and light bulbs are already missing. Neave wants to remind people to respect the work that has gone into decorating.

## Warden's banquet a reminiscence of the year past

by JERRY GROZELLE  
Times Staff

Ross Rigney was the man of honour at the Haliburton County Warden's Banquet Friday night at the Minden Community Centre.

Friends, colleagues, county and municipal employees gathered to celebrate the past year with Rigney at the helm. Someone else will be taking over the warden's duties next month.

MP John O'Reilly presented Rigney with a Canadian flag and applauded the accomplishments from Rigney's term as warden.

"Congratulations on a great

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## Winter tourism under threat

by MATTHEW WALLS  
Times Staff

The lingering dispute between local managed forest owners and the provincial government over tax rates is threatening to irrevocably damage the area's winter tourism industry and pit the local trail associations who support the owners against them.

"We support the forest owners in their concerns completely," said Andy Chvedukas, president of Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HSCA).

"But I find it hard to believe that these people that we're supporting would punish us over something we've been trying to help them out with."

The Haliburton Forest Owners Association (HFOA), whose members own more than 100,000 of Haliburton County's 160,000 acres of managed forest, first informed the former provincial government in September that it was suggesting members close their forests from the public until the government assesses managed forests as farmland, a much lower tax rate.

Under the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program, begun in 1997, managed forests were assessed as farmland and taxed only 25% of the property value. In the spring of this year, the previous government's Ministry of Finance, in conjunction with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), decided to assess managed forests for possible use, despite the protests from the Ministry of Natural Resources.

The change, according to the Ontario Forestry Association (OFA), could drastically

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# Santa's coming to town this Saturday

by JERRY GROZELLE  
Times Staff

It took some negotiating to secure insurance through the municipality of Minden Hills, but the annual Santa Claus Parade will go ahead on Saturday, November 29 at 1 p.m. as planned.

John Guild of the Minden and District Lions Club is organizing the parade. "It's coming together," he said. "I usually go into a panic as the day gets close, but everything always seems to fall into place."

## Haliburton County Studio Tour 2004

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Organization was late getting started because there was some concern about insurance coverage, but with that obstacle cleared, Guild is working frantically to see that everything goes according to plan. He said last week that half a dozen floats have been confirmed and he was expecting 10 or more additional entries within the next few days. "There's always the last-minute club," he said.

The budget for the event was reduced by one third from last year, so the number of bands will be down from three to two. The Haliburton

Highlands Pipes and Drums and Haliburton's Silver Flutes will bring the Christmas message musically.

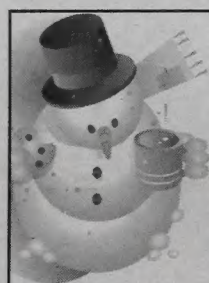
The Royal Canadian Legion's Colour Guard is expected to participate again this year.

The parade will marshal at the bus staging area at Archie Stouffer Elementary School and proceed down Main Street through the village.

After the parade, those wishing to have their picture taken with Santa will meet at the Minden Fire Hall.

In addition, a special showing of "Spy Kids 3-D" will be shown at the Beaver Theatre. Admission will be free, compliments of the Minden District Lions Club.

Anyone interested in entering a float in the 2003 Minden Santa Claus Parade should contact John Guild as soon as possible at 286-9947.



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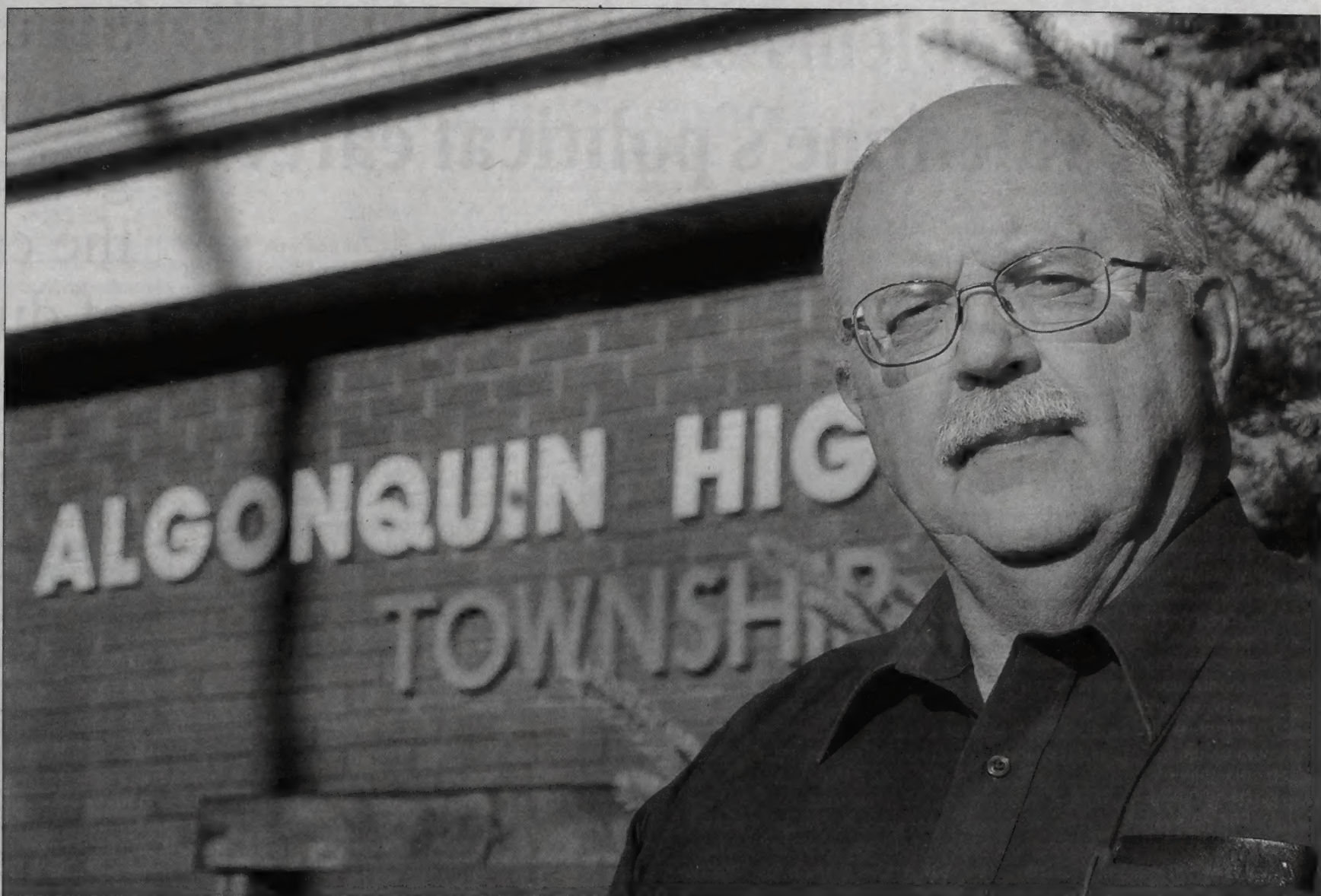
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After 31 years with the municipalities that make up Algonquin Highlands, by-law enforcement officer and chief building official James Moore is retiring. He was praised for his fair and open rapport with contractors.

Martha Perkins/TIMES

James Moore retires

## After 31 years of enforcing the rules, it's time to relax

by MARTHA PERKINS  
Times Staff

Say the word "dog" to Algonquin Highlands by-law enforcement officer James Moore and he'll groan. He's had to spend too many days and nights responding to nuisance dog calls to have anything nice to say about them.

However, once he becomes Jim Moore, retired gentleman, he thinks he'll have enough time to be able to have a dog of his own.

Rest assured he'll buy it a dog tag and not let his new pet run loose or bark incessantly at all times of the day and night.

After 31 years with the two municipalities that amalgamated to become Algonquin Highlands, Friday is Moore's last day as the helm of the building and by-law department. That means he'll also be able to hang up his hat as the municipality's dog catcher.

"I've had a great career and it's time to go," he told council matter-of-factly at

Thursday's council meeting.

"It's been a real delight working with you," said outgoing councillor Don Shortreed at what was his last council meeting, too. (Shortreed was defeated in the municipal elections.)

"The contractors [in the Dorset area] hold you in high esteem," Shortreed said. "They'll really miss you and I know you'll really miss getting calls for dog complaints."

Moore smiled and said "I think the first thing I'll do [upon retirement] is change my phone number."

In an interview, Moore said it's not dogs he dislikes but some of their owners. Many complaints stem from owners "who think 'Our dog is on a holiday and can do what it wants.'"

Given the demands of the job and the geographic size of the municipality, Moore says he was starting to find his tasks "overwhelming" and is looking forward to a more relaxed pace. He hopes that council considers hiring an assistant for his replacement, Don Kidd.

"When I came to Stanhope in 1972 everyone had small cottages" which were rudimentary at best. Now it's not uncommon for \$1-million cottages to be built. "I can't believe the development in this area."

When a house or cottage is being built, not only does Moore have to approve all the applications and licences but he also has to conduct regular inspections during construction. Not only does this give assurances to council that all of the rules are being followed, but contractors also want to have the inspections recorded. "Builders want you there and they want you to document it so there's a paper trail," he says.

However, with 18 lakes, and many properties accessible only by water, this means a lot of time on the road.

In her farewell comments, Reeve Eleanor Harrison told Moore "You've done a great job in dealing with the people who come into your office. You were always fair and people could talk to you, so that in itself is a pretty great legacy."

Moore says his philosophy was that it's better to work co-operatively with builders before playing the heavy if need be.

"I always built up a rapport with contractors," he says. "I always thought you could negotiate to come to a compromise. I felt it was a better way of doing things rather than it being enforcement - 'you do it this way.'"

Harrison also praised his work ethic within the office.

"You were always easy to work with and obliging," she said. "You were patient when I had a question."

She noted that her husband Jim was on council when he was hired and she was the one wishing him a happy retirement. "Stanhope and Sherborne et al are very lucky to have had you for 31 years."

However, she also teased him about his straight-faced demeanour. "You have made getting a smile sometimes a challenge," she told him. "I'm hoping you'll be smiling all day every day when you're doing what you want when you want."

## ... and time to say goodbye to long-time councillor

It wasn't easy putting two townships together, but three years after Stanhope and Sherborne et al amalgamated to become Algonquin Highlands, councillors and staff can look back on a job well done, says Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

"I'm very proud of Algonquin Highlands," she said at the last meeting of the current council on Thursday.

Councillors work so well together that politicians from other municipalities often call them the happy gang, a label Harrison enjoys.

"Maybe we are the happy gang but we do get things done," she said, also including a "dedicated staff" in her praise. "This council has worked in a team and while we may not always agree, the decisions that we made were decisions of council, not an individual."

When she became the first reeve of the new municipality three years ago, she was a bit nervous that one of her councillors, Dorset's Don Shortreed, had a lot more seniority as a municipal politician. Any fears quickly subsided as they started to work together on the task of bringing the two municipalities together.

"You were always sensitive and supportive," she told Shortreed, who served as deputy-reeve and lost his bid to continue representing his ward in the recent election. "You're just an all-round great guy. This council will miss your experience, your humour and your dedication."

Harrison did some teasing of her own when she said that as reeve she could always rely on her deputy as long as it wasn't hunting season.

But she also noted that one of

Shortreed's most important legacies is coming up with the name for the new municipality.

Shortreed said that honour will always make him feel proud.

"It's been a great honour and privilege to serve on this council," he said. As to his successor, Diane Griffin, who is the former CAO of Sherborne et al, he said "you can count on her carrying on a good job."

He also praised the municipality's "wonderful staff."

Harrison welcomed Griffin, who's been auditing the council meetings for the past few months.

"Council's looking forward to a new three years and a new person on our team," she said, telling Griffin that "We work hard but we try to make it a little fun. Hopefully you'll enjoy your time with the happy gang."

Reeve Eleanor Harrison presents Don Shortreed with his council name plaque at Shortreed's last meeting on Thursday.





# Health problems bring early end to Bill Valentine's political career

by MATTHEW WALLS  
Times Staff

Bill Valentine says he would have continued to serve as a councillor, as he has for the past 31 years in Lutterworth and Minden Hills Township, but "someone at Sunnybrook hospital wanted to take my life."

Valentine said farewell to his fellow councillors at Thursday's Minden Hills council meeting, its last before the newly elected council begins its term in December.

Valentine was forced to retire because the therapy for his bad back took up too much of his time, he said. He nearly died after recent surgery at the Toronto hospital.

"I couldn't have kept up with my obligations to the council and my obligations to my old car-cass."

Deputy Reeve Jim McMahon gave an appreciative speech at council's meeting, thanking him for both his work at council and his friendship.

"Bill," McMahon said, "is the only person I know in Haliburton County who carries two political cards - Liberal in the left and Tory in the right."

Valentine began his political career in 1967 as a Lutterworth councillor. A teaching job with the Canadian International Development Agency in Africa cut his term short, but he ran again upon returning.

During 'Luttergate' in the late 1970s, when the deputy reeve and reeve were forced to resign, Valentine, who even then had more seniority than anyone else, agreed to become

interim reeve.

He ran as reeve in the subsequent election and won, but was requested to retire by the Haliburton County school board who felt the position inappropriate for a teacher.

He remained a Lutterworth councillor until amalgamation, which he was "totally against."

Once Minden Hills was formed, however, Valentine decided to run as a councillor for the new municipality and helped oversee the transition.

"It worked out not too badly," he said. Looking at the few achievements of the Minden Hills council in the past three years - which he largely blames on initial staffing problems - he still thinks Lutterworth might have been better off alone.

Still, now that it's three years past Valentine seems more ready to look ahead than back.

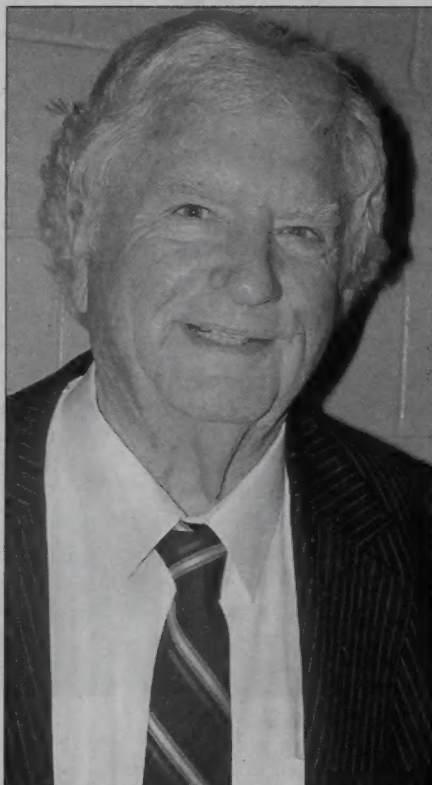
The township, Valentine said, should be "a haven or refuge for people." People retire here, he said, because they want to leave the industrialized urban cities but don't want to divorce themselves from what the cities offer.

The township's future lies with these people and the cottages they are building, Valentine said.

"I've discovered more terrific people since Minden Hills formed than I'd known before."

That his bad back has stopped him from working with these people and helping the township develop was an obvious disappointment to Valentine. In his farewell speech to council, he couldn't refrain from offering his help whenever anyone needed it.

"I'm going to regret leaving."



After 31 years on council, Bill Valentine regrets having to retire.

## Stanhope firefighters go beyond the call of duty

by MARTHA PERKINS  
Times Staff

Firefighters have been known to rescue cats from trees, but in true Highlands fashion, they now save loons, too.

Stanhope firefighters responded to an accident on Little Hawk Lake Road which resulted in a loon being unable to fly away from the scene.

While the fire department doesn't usually classify loon injuries as a medical emergency, it responded because of safety concerns.

"There were so many people stopping their cars on a corner to take pictures of the loon that it became a safety issue," Fire Chief John Hogg said in his report to Algonquin Highlands council on Thursday.

The loon was taken to a local vet's and then transported to a wildlife sanctuary in Bracebridge.

In giving his report, Hogg told council with a wry smile that he didn't quite know what heading to put the rescue under.

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# Environment Haliburton's criticism stings Algonquin Highlands council

by MARTHA PERKINS  
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands council was insulted and angered by a letter from Environment Haliburton which implies council is trying to sneak a permanent septage lagoon past its ratepayers.

"Do they really think Algonquin Highlands will dig a hole in the ground and dump septage in it and it won't be gated and it won't be monitored," Reeve Eleanor Harrison said at Thursday's meeting in response to a letter from EH's chairperson, Heather Ross. "To suggest we're trying to do something under the cover of darkness annoys me."

Ross's letter says "The October 20 issue of the Minden Times indicates that [the proposed septage lagoon at the Pine Springs site] will go ahead this winter as a temporary storage facility. This is certainly in keeping with the history of this unfortunate site. It was first a way side pit and should have been returned to its natural state once the need for gravel was met. This is the meaning of a way side pit!"

"However, as the site was already disturbed it was turned into a dump. Now it is proposed that it be used for a temporary facility. Next can we not expect, following past practices, that it will flow into a permanent site, as it has been used as a temporary site? Creating 'done deals' on the landscape is not good environmental stewardship!"

Ross then lists seven things EH wants council to ensure before it goes ahead with the temporary lagoon: fencing and staffing the site, developing an emergency plan for spills, developing terms of reference for an environmental impact study in conjunction with residents and cottagers associations, giving assurances that "application will not be made to extend the one-year life of the temporary facility without the agreement of the residents and cottagers associations" and giving assurances that "a full, Class C environmental assessment be completed and peer reviewed prior to any decision to place a permanent facility at this site."

Councillor Tom Gardner said he found the letter to be "pretty sarcastic" and like Harrison, had to control his anger over the letter's implications.

"We've always been pretty open - why would they send a letter like this. And to 'request' these seven points, it's not up to them to decide; this is a duly elected council."

"More and more of our time is spent on the environment and this council is pro environment as evidenced by some of the things we've done."

Harrison noted that Algonquin Highlands is the only municipality in the county to pay for a septic re-inspection program.

What upset council was that many of the seven points will automatically be included in council's application for the site's Certificate of Approval. Council will have to follow a long list of stringent requirements from the Ministry of Environment as part of the process - a process it felt EH should have been more aware of before casting aspersions on its environmental

record.

Council knew of these requirements when it agreed to go ahead with the first phase of the septage lagoon as a way of determining the volume of septage that any facility - whether it be at the Pine Springs site or not - will have to cope with. It has just completed a lengthy application with its C of A for the McClintock lagoon and is very familiar with the process.

"If they want to be a credible organization they should be talking to us and getting the facts," said Councillor Kerry Lock. "Phone [CAO Gerald Bain] first so you can have some facts to talk about."

Councillor Don Shortreed said that in writing the letter, EH was "looking for the backing of the lake association."

Harrison told council that she did not feel obligated to respond. She also stressed that while she was committed to sharing all the information council has with the Kushog Lake Property Owners Association, and working with the association on the project, council was not obligated to get the association's approval for its actions.

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**ELEANOR  
HARRISON**

## Mandatory recycling may be coming to a blue box near you

by MARTHA PERKINS  
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands is about to go blue.

On recommendations from its waste management committee, council agreed to buy 250 recycling containers.

It's not quite ready, however, to implement mandatory recycling.

The blue boxes will be available to ratepayers at cost as a way of promoting the municipality's recycling efforts.

Estimates are that the boxes will cost the township \$6.80 each but there may be taxes which have to be included.

Council also considered the committee's request for mandatory recycling.

"I'm for recycling but mandatory recycling you have to give it some real thought," said outgoing Councillor Don Shortreed. "You're creating a headache for the attendant."

Councillor Kerry Lock wondered if you'd then need to buy clear plastic bags but Councillor Tom Gardner felt the threat of random checks would be enough to encourage ratepayers to conform with the rule. This is how Highlands East polices its mandatory recycling program.

"We're not going to be able to check every bag but if the attendant suspects someone isn't recycling they can request to go through the bag," said Councillor Jim Hicks, who represents council on the committee. If the person doesn't want that, then they can be told they can't dump it.

"People do want to obey the law but you don't want to make criminals out of your ratepayers," said Gardner. "I can see us doing it but I want to make sure we have everything in place."

"And the education to go with it," said Lock, who suggested hosting open houses to promote recycling and answer questions about what sort of materials can be recycled.

CAO Gerald Bain was asked to investigate the legal and enforcement issues.

"If everything goes well we'll be actively pursuing mandatory recycling in January," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

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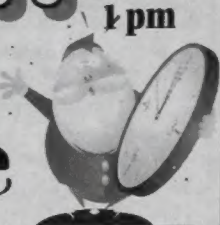
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At a trailhead off of North Kashagawigamog the president of the Haliburton Highlands Nordic Trails Association, Don Gage, shows on a map the areas that will be affected if local land owners go ahead with the restrictions to their property. There are 30 km of trail, or half the system, that will be lost. Snowmobile trails will also seriously be affected.

Darren Lum/TIMES



# ‘These are tourists we could lose forever’

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increase the tax rates, especially for forests with lakes, and make managed forests untenable for many forest owners, said Carla Grant, president of OFA.

HFOA plans to hold a meeting in mid-December, after the forest owners receive their new tax assessments later this month. The forest owners will have a bet-

ter sense of how much more they will be paying in taxes and will decide then whether to pursue their current strategy, said HFOA president Dan Buhl. Making a final decision now would be premature, Buhl said.

“It’s a bit early...It’s not cast in stone.”

But with winter only a month away, those within the tourism industry are wor-

ried this tactic will likely not be a priority for the new Liberal government and will only end up hurting the tourism industry.

Already, one Haliburton cottage resort owner has had two or three cancellations by guests who decided the risk of closed ski trails wasn’t worth jeopardizing their vacation and looked elsewhere.

Don Gage, owner of Willow Beach Cottages and the president of the Nordic Ski Trails Association, said Lee Blair’s decision to close his forest from the public will cut in half the 35 km connective trail system, leaving only three to four km of trail accessible from Willow Beach.

“It’s an awkward situation for us. Our trail systems depend on the generosity of trail owners, and Lee Blair has been one of our best land owners.

“They’re sort of using us for leverage to get noticed and try and keep the promises that were made to them in the past.”

Fewer ski trails mean fewer tourists. Gage said families that come for a short ski will be fine, but big trail skiers won’t be satisfied.

“They come to these resorts because they can ski for as much as 35 km.... It’s

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# Trail groups caught in wait-and-see game

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a huge component of our business."

Gage has two or three ski groups booked for February and he will have to tell them in a week's time that the trails are likely to be closed; when he does he is sure it may be the last time he gets calls from them.

"These are tourists we could lose forever."

Bill Young, manager of Wigamog Inn, has not yet informed those who have made reservations that many of the trails may be closed.

"We haven't decided at what point of time we will tell them yet."

He's still hoping a solution will be found, otherwise he'll have to let them know within the coming weeks.

Like Gage, Young said he supports the forest owners in their fight with the provincial government.

"We are partners and it's unfortunate we're in this situation now."

The possible closure of local managed forest will also affect the snowmobiling industry and all its spin-offs for local restaurants and inns. Chvedukas said the HSCA will "go around" the closed of trails if need be. Like the cross-country ski trails, the snowmobile trail system of 580 km will be cut in half.

But this won't be enough to lessen the

economic impact the closures would have, and Chvedukas is worried the closures will in the end fail to change government policy and will backfire on the local community.

"This is an isolated situation here in Haliburton. Other [snowmobile] clubs have not been affected by forest closures due to MFTIP," Chvedukas said.

With only this county making a fuss, the new Liberal government will likely ignore it, he said.

"I don't think the government is going to prioritize this issue right now."

"It probably won't be looked at until January or February, and by then we're midway through the season."

Peter Schleifenbaum, owner of the Haliburton Forest & Wolf Centre, has been a vocal critic of the changes in the managed forest program. With over 60,000 of managed forest, including several lakes which would be assessed as waterfront property under the new 'possible use' assessment formula, Schleifenbaum's property could see significant increases in tax rates.

Schleifenbaum would not say whether or not he will close his forest, but said other forest owners may.

"Some forest owners have already said they will close their forests, and I don't know if they are willing to change their decision."

Schleifenbaum said he has three options for his forest. He may operate the Haliburton Forest and close his public trails, or accommodate house guests and close down both pub-

lic and private trails. Or, he said, he may "just leave everything open."

For now the only thing to do is wait and see, he said.

"Obviously we have to give the new government time to react."

Schleifenbaum said two months would be sufficient for the government to show where it stands, approximately the same

time the HFOA holds its mid-December meeting.

"Hopefully we'll get the new government to fulfill the [original] promise of the last government."

This wait-and-see approach is cold comfort to the trail associations and inns who are starting to book their winter tourists and cottagers.

Innkeepers feel it is dishonest not to warn their potential customers that they may have drastically reduced ski and snowmobile trail systems. While they too are hoping for the best, they admit they have little expectation that the government will change its tax policy.

With this in mind, the stubborn refusal of the forest owners who have always graciously allowed them to use their forests is beginning to seem pointlessly self-destructive for the community.

"We're showing good faith on their behalf," Chvedukas said.

"Show some good faith and open the trails this year, and we'll support you continuously."

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## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### Find a solution - fast

Lets hope that with the new provincial government will quickly address what could cause a huge negative economic impact in rural Ontario – the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program. More specifically, the government must work something out with landowners to ensure snowmobile trails are not closed.

Members of the Haliburton Forest Owners Association control nearly two thirds of the county's managed forest land. They are miffed, to say the least, that their taxes on undeveloped land have recently been assessed for the potential they have for development. When the MFTIP was introduced in the late 1990s, undeveloped land was assessed at the same rate as farmland. But the previous provincial government decided to change that formula, resulting in huge increases in assessments to most of these landowners.

The Haliburton County Snowmobile Association, and Haliburton Nordic Trails, have become unwilling pawns in the struggle by landowners to return their tax rates to a level they believe is more in line with land use. MFTIP members have been encouraged to close their property to recreational trails.

One can see why these property owners might opt to deny access to their property. They have given permission for the HCSA, or the Nordic ski organization, or both, to build trails across some of their land. And they allow access without compensation.

Even though snowmobilers and cross country skiers have supported the landowners in their fight for fair taxation, both groups stand to lose access to many kilometres of trails. If those areas are closed, it will leave gaps in the trail system, effectively closing many more kilometres of trail on public land in between.

Since snowmobiling and cross country skiing are major contributors to Haliburton County's economy in the winter months, it is essential to find a resolution to the problem before the snow is deep enough for the groomers to start making the trails passable.

Most businesses thrive in the short summer season and depend heavily on winter recreation to help them through the lean winter months. Snowmobilers and skiers not only from this area, but from other parts of the province, come here to take advantage of the excellent trail systems that have been created largely by volunteers, over many years.. They stay in area lodges and motels, dine in restaurants, shop in stores, even partake of local entertainment... you get the picture. That translates to money in the pockets of local businesspeople, which, in turn, is redistributed again and again.

If the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program is no longer a suitable way to compensate landowners for maintaining their forested land in an aesthetically pleasing state, then it is imperative that an appropriate and equitable solution be implemented as soon as possible.

Snowmobilers and skiers who have traditionally come here from other areas to enjoy the trails will find other areas with suitable trails. Many of them won't return when the situation is resolved. They will make contacts and new friends in other areas and the local economy will suffer.

It will be a challenge to resolve this situation in a timely and lasting fashion. Not only will it be necessary to come up with a plan that appeals to landowners, it must also convince the rest of the taxpayers that owners of large tracts of land are not getting some form of unfair tax break that isn't available to the rest of us.

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## IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

After the rain

Photo by LEN PIZZEY/Times

## TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

### Those were fighting words

#### To the Editor:

Martha Perkins' editorial comment in the November 17, 2003 *Times* – 'Can Things Get Hotter in Minden Hills' – is one of the most misleading and probably disgusting editorials I have read in a long time. How can a person who rarely ever darkens the door of the Minden council chambers write such an article? Do you base your findings and editorial expertise on hearsay? If so, I believe that you owe every member of the previous council a public apology. I am very certain that Cheryl Murdoch has much greater aspirations and intelligence than to be categorized as a referee and to state that Clayton Cameron had to sit there with his mouth shut demonstrates that you never set foot in the council meetings or you may have chosen the path of Rip Van Winkle.

Your assessment of the Kawartha Lakes

situation is a direct insult to the councils and the electorate, no different than your assessment of Minden Hills council and electorate.

Before you report positions on the proposed Minden Hills municipal building, do yourself a favour and read the council minutes of November 27, 2002, where Mr. Cameron reported to council that adding onto the present structure was not feasible according to the engineer's reports. If he wishes to put his opinions ahead of that of a professional engineer, so be it. He, to my knowledge, has never presented anything but opinion to give credence to his flip-flop position. The taxpayers must not be misled, too much is involved.

Mr. Cameron's request for night council meetings surprises me. Night council

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## IN OTHER WORDS

Columnists and Letters to the Editor

# Long shots

**I**t never ceases to amaze me how some people can shift fault. Whether the blame is theirs or not, they'll find someone else to hold responsible for what ails them.

Take last week, for example, when a self-proclaimed gambling addict negotiated an out of court settlement from an Ontario casino that allowed her to gamble. The implication is that this person has no responsibility for her actions. Now, casinos all over the province are bracing themselves for an onslaught. They know that a dangerous precedence has been set.

That's why I'm thinking of suing the Ministry of the Environment.

You see, the MOE is chiefly responsible for the air we breathe, and, as we all know, Haliburton County is known for its clean fresh air. This would be okay if not for the fact that it has caused, unbeknownst to me, a breathing addiction. Now, because of the intoxicating quality of the stuff, I can't help myself when it

comes to the demon air. That's right, due in large part to the MOE's negligence, I've become a fresh air junkie. I mainline it through the nose, sometimes orally. It's my dirty little secret.

Obviously, this is not easy on my family or myself. The kids have even caught me breathing a time or two. I tell them that it's only recreational and that I can handle it. They're not buying it. In fact, I suspect that they're using the stuff too.

I'd like to quit cold turkey, really I would, but I just don't seem to have the willpower.

I find myself inhaling several times a day. And, even then, all I can think about is where I'm going to get my next hit. More often than not, my addiction leads me outside for the good stuff that the MOE supplies.

As you can imagine, the amount of time I've wasted on sniffing air is almost incalculable. I figure I breathe about once every two seconds. That's half of my life

given over to the habit. Imagine the money and opportunities I've lost just getting hopped up on fresh air. If I had only written one good word for each breath I've wasted, I might have had several bestsellers by now.

Worse still, over the years, I've spent literally thousands of dollars on outdoors gear in an attempt to cover up my addiction. I've tried hunting, fishing, and walks outside to get my mind off of it.

But, as anyone knows, I was really out there for the air. What do you expect? I'm addicted.

It doesn't take a legal genius to understand that the MOE should be held liable.



**BEYOND 35**  
Steve Galea

After all, I've never seen a warning label blowing by in the breeze. I've never been cautioned about a spring zephyr. How was I supposed to know that you could get hooked on the stuff? Now, my life is in a shambles.

I don't think I'll ask for a lot - just several million in lost revenues and emotional damages. I'm guessing that they won't want to get caught up in a long drawn out court battle. They'll probably negotiate an out of court settlement. They might just pay out reparations so that I don't go public with what they've done to me. If the payout is big enough I might book myself into a treatment centre, somewhere near Newark, that will wean me off of fresh air.

Right about now, you're probably thinking that I'm crazy and that this won't work. You probably believe that no one in their right mind would fall for this kind of scam.

All I've got to say is, "Hey, wanna bet?"

# It's a fathead's world

**Y**ou know what Hollywood stars have that separates them from the rest of us? Big heads.

I don't mean big egos, though Lord knows they often have that too - I'm talking about literally big heads. Take Vanna White, the famous letter turner on the TV show Wheel of Fortune. You know why producer Merv Griffin picked her out of a mob of hopefuls? It wasn't her blonde hair, her winning smile or her twin ahems that landed her the job. Neither was it her dexterity at flipping large pieces of cardboard while smiling inanely. "The truth is" says Griffin, "what made me choose her photo over all the others is that Vanna has a large head". Griffin claims oversized noggins exaggerate an actor's features and make them look striking on camera.

I don't know if all Hollywood marquee types have big heads but I know it applies to Tommy Lee Jones. On screen, Jones has a very arresting presence, it's hard to take your eyes off him. But I saw him coming out of a restaurant once and his head is huge! In person he looks like a pumpkin on a stick.

So a big head might land you a gig in La La land - but does it indicate that

there's extra grey matter inside? Are people with basketball-sized beans any smarter than the average bear?

Actually, yes. According to a study put out by the Environmental Epidemiology Unit in Southampton, England, being born with a big head is a bit like winning the genetic lottery. The study found that babies with high birth weights (which, they say, invariably means babies with big heads) - developed better reading skills, superior reasoning and more reliable memories.

What's more, the benefits keep on coming, right into old age. Senior citizens with large heads consistently suffer less mental decline than pinheads like you and me.

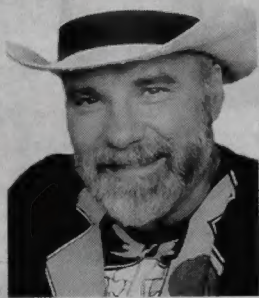
But cheer up. Just because the ubernoggins have more brainpower doesn't mean they're a lap ahead in the evolutionary race. Scientists at the University of Fribourg in Switzerland managed to selectively breed a group of

fast-learning fruit flies - in other words, smarter-than-your-average-fruit-fly fruit flies. They then pitted these A-student bugs against a flock of dull-average fruit flies in a contest for scarce food.

The brainy bugs got fat while the dumb ones went hungry, right?

Exactly wrong. The dullard flies thrived while the superflies just sat around and starved. The researchers concluded that the so-called superior fruit flies were literally too smart for their own good. They spent too much of their energy making connections among the neurons in their brains, which left them less energy to forage for food.

Being smart doesn't guarantee success - for fruit flies or for humans. If being smart was all it took to flourish as a species, we'd all be wearing laurel wreathes and conversing in Ancient Greek. The world would be looking up to leaders like Plato and Aristotle. Instead we've got Mel Lastman



**ARTHUR BLACK**  
Columnist

## Candidate casting aspersions

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meetings were intended to increase public attendance. The late S.G. Nesbitt changed to daytime meetings because attendance did not improve it. It cost the taxpayer less because it ended the overtime factor for staff and with the major decisions council is required to make; the fatigue factor of working late into the night was eliminated for all. Mr. Cameron knew when he let his name stand for elected office that meeting times and dates were established. One other unsuccessful candidate took a lot of criticism on this subject at the all candidates meeting. If you cannot meet the

requirements of the job then do the honorable thing.

I also am disappointed that Mr. Berube continues to make accusations that council business was not carried out in a proper manner. It is noteworthy that dates, times and the pertinent subjects have never been exposed. Is our once very credible newspaper dwindling to a gossip sheet?

Gordon A. Monk,  
Minden

## Interesting times ahead for council

To the editor:

It is not a good omen to see the article in last Monday's paper regarding the first items on the agenda for the new Minden Hills council.

Let's start with Clayton Cameron's concern about meeting times. He wishes meetings to be changed to accommodate his job in another Township. Give me a break! If Mr. Cameron had any idea that he would not be able to attend the meetings as scheduled, why did he even con-

sider running for council in the first place? Most people applying for a job ensure that they can arrive at the required time before applying for that position.

Next we have Peter Oyler speaking about monster cottages. Are there not rules that our township building department has to follow? Is there not a limit to the total percentage of a lot that can be covered by buildings? If building laws are in place and followed properly who is Peter Oyler to put a limit on size? What about the properties that have been

see WHO page 10



# Election count disorganized

To the Editor:

Re: Article, Page 3 *Minden Times*  
November 17, 2003,

I take strong exception to the comments of Twyla Nicholson that were reported in the *Times* noted above.

I have been a scrutineer in several Municipal Elections, (Ottawa and Haliburton County) over the past several years. I believe that this election was one of the poorest organized in which I have participated as a scrutineer. As an example I would like to point out the following shortcomings-

Total disorganization at sign in: not enough scrutineer badges; more had to be obtained from Twyla, delaying the sign-in process to the point that there was concern we may not be eligible to enter prior to the 8:00 PM deadline.

## Who decides how big?

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clear cut to accommodate 500 square foot cottages? What is the actual issue here - clear cutting or cottages that some people consider to be too large? Is this communism run amuck? God help us all! The next three years will certainly be interesting.

Sheila Redpath  
Moore Falls  
Taxpayer

- Badges had to be cut from letter size paper as registration was going on, (should have been cut prior to election date). To assist, one of the scrutineers did this cutting.

- There was no swearing in at sign in, since the person on the desk did not believe she was authorized to do the swearing in.

- We were asked to return to the front registration area to complete the swearing in process. This required that all forms (now in one pile) be re-issued to the scrutineers in order to be in compliance with the Elections Act.

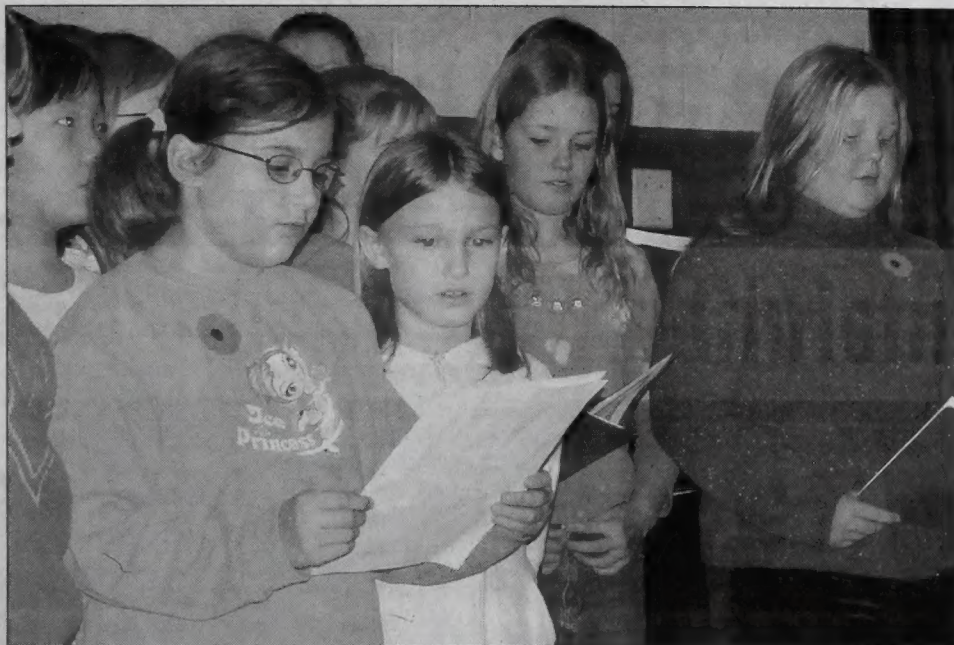
- There were no chairs or tables in front of the polling stations for the scrutineers. We were asked if we would like a table (is this what Twyla thought was demanding)? We still had to get our own chairs.

- During the ballot count I had to request that Twyla and some of her assistants be quiet since I could not hear what the poll clerks were saying. Her comment was not co-operative and I probably answered in kind. Several of the poll clerks thanked me for speaking out as they were reluctant to speak.

- All in all, the noise in the polling station while the count was being made was not conducive to creating (in my opinion) a proper working environment for such an important occasion.

- Thanks to those who supplied the coffee and muffins, that was well organized.

S. J Saville  
Scrutineer



Archie Stouffer Elementary students held thier own Remembrance Day ceremony

## Students' poems question war

### Sadness

People have died  
All the time in war.  
Yes. We have lost some people.  
Every gun shot made a mark.  
We might have loved the ones we lost,  
Did you know that?  
Lots of people died,  
Yes it happens,  
Why?

Tanner Ballantyne,  
Grade 3 ASES

The fire of a gun breaks our hearts.  
Why was war invented?  
Why?

Maia O'Sullivan,  
Grade 3 ASES

### Sadness

Hatred is in war,  
War brings us down,  
Weapons are only to kill,  
Death is very, very sad,  
Cannons should be banned  
Guns should be locked away  
Tanks and planes of war should be put in  
Museums.  
We need to learn,  
Not to fight.

Michael Nelson,  
Grade 3 ASES

### Fear

Cannons break the peace.  
Weapons make us shiver.  
Wars kill.  
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Hatred is in soldier's hearts.  
Death makes us cry.

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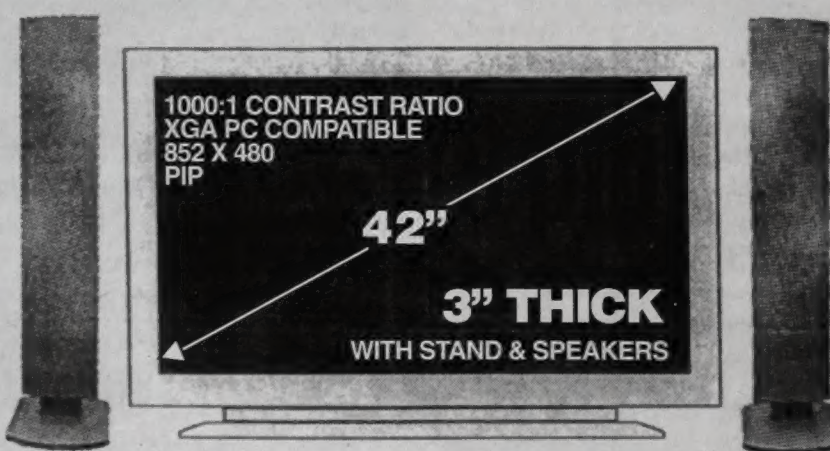
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# Rigney reflects on accomplishments at county council

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year," he told Rigney. "You've done a tremendous job in the Highlands."

Past Warden and Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison said it was hard to believe another year has gone by and another warden's banquet was being celebrated. "It's also a little hard to believe that they've allowed me to speak," she said, adding, "Lois (Ross Rigney's wife) didn't prepare my speech."

Harrison quipped that the past three years have seen controversy in her municipality, with the asphalt plant, septage lagoon and airport. "And I was blamed for them all," she said.

Harrison admitted Rigney has had a rough year as warden, with the wrap-up of the amalgamation complete. "The third-year warden has to be accountable for the whole three years. I'm not sure that's fair, but I'm glad he's the third-year warden. He's had to try to correct the mistakes of the first- and second-year wardens. Not that Murray [Fearrey] and I made any, but the perception is there. I can empathize with you Ross, it's been a rough year."

She said she knows the year goes by too quickly to complete the projects that you promise yourself that you are going to finish.

"Ross, it's been a pleasure to work with you this past term and I hope you have enjoyed your year as warden. You've worked hard; you've been a good ambassador for Haliburton County. I should probably thank Lois as well. It's not easy being the spouse of a warden."

MC for the evening, Murray Fearrey, introduced the past wardens who were in attendance.

Minden Hills CEO Gerry Morrison spoke at some length, roasting the warden of the county and reeve of Minden Hills. He also took swipes at the members of his municipal council, the slowness of the implementation of

Jerry Grozelle/TIMES



Ross Rigney, left, was pleased to have fellow politicians – MPP Laurie Scott and MP John O'Reilly – join him at the warden's banquet in Minden on Friday night. He reminded them of the county's funding needs.

9-1-1 and the county in general, prompting several members of the audience to wonder aloud if he had been offered another job or had won the lottery and planned an early retirement.

Rigney noted that it was "at great expense that we brought you this entertainment, and it didn't cost us a damn thing."

Reflecting on the past year, he said the first ever county official plan has been completed and is awaiting approval by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. He read a letter from the Ministry which stated the Dysart and Minden Hills approvals are expected before Christmas, Algonquin Highlands by the end of January, Highlands East and the County official plans some time in February. "After two and a half years of hard work, a lot of us know tough that was."

He said a landfill site review is in progress and will be completed soon. "Should we go upper tier, super site or incinerator? It's something the new council will have to wrestle with," he said. He noted that the county's Connect Ontario application is in its third stage and he reminded MP O'Reilly that the county will be looking for some financial help from the federal government.

"This application is critical for business expansion in the future – for our hospitals, for our school boards college, county and municipal governments and the public for high speed service which is needed and expected in today's environment."

Rigney said that at the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus it was learned that Eastern Ontario is one of only two areas in Canada which are without a federal program of assistance for their specific areas. "We are entitled to assistance in the same manner," he said.

Rigney pointed out that there is another side to being warden of the county, namely attending functions to bring greetings from the county, such as anniversaries, birthdays, the ribbon cutting for Haliburton County's new radio station (Canoe FM) and laying wreaths on Remembrance Day.

The final duty of the warden and his wife Lois was to present the awards to the various winners of the annual Warden's Golf Tournament. A number of gifts were presented to those who "excelled?" in the sport as well as to those who made impressions in other ways – such as Bill Davis, who managed to crash a golf cart.

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by DARREN LUM  
Times staff

**A** Minden landmark has a new lease on life. The house on the small rise overlooking Hwy. 35 in Minden was saved when local merchant Anne Neave, owner of Campbell's Flowers, purchased the building nearly two years ago.

Neave held an open house last weekend, allowing the public to see the renovated building that is more than 100 years old, and to officially herald her store's new location.

When the threat of demolition was imminent, Neave and her mother Pat Campbell were asked to save it by the local historical society. Neave has always believed in preserving heritage and supporting the community, as shown by her tireless work in organizing the town's Christmas decorations every year.

This house needed to be saved since most of the older buildings in the area were demolished, she said.

"Since I was 15 I've always wanted an old house," Neave said.

Neave bought the house from Minden Hills, a week before the building's scheduled demolition, on July 4, 2001. The crown bought the property in 1876 and subse-

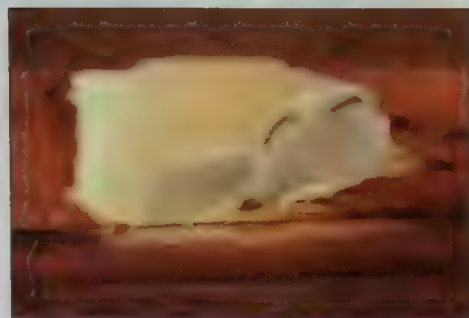


### The people who made it possible:

(front row, l-r) Judd Campbell, Zachary Joanu, Jerry Campbell, Anne Neave, Graham Campbell. (second row, l-r) Jordan Joanu, Pat Campbell, Jody Joanu. (Back row) Aiden Campbell, Krysta Anderson and Julie Petch.

Absent for the photo was husband Brad, daughters Kaitlin and Rebecca, brother Jeff, Jerry's wife Kim, friends Scott and Marion Gartshore, Ron Mcclenaghan, Mike Legge and staff member Lorraine Turrccotte.

# Landmark gets new lease on life

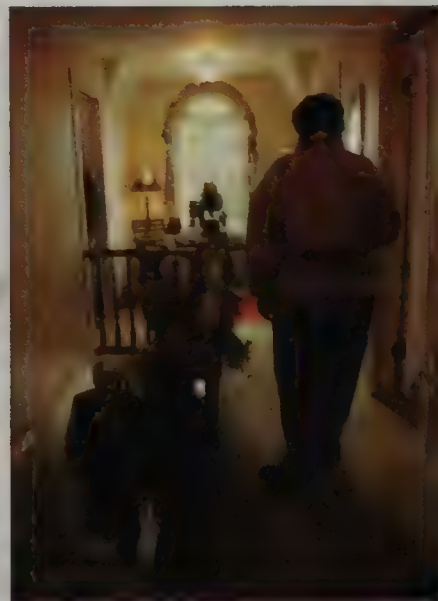
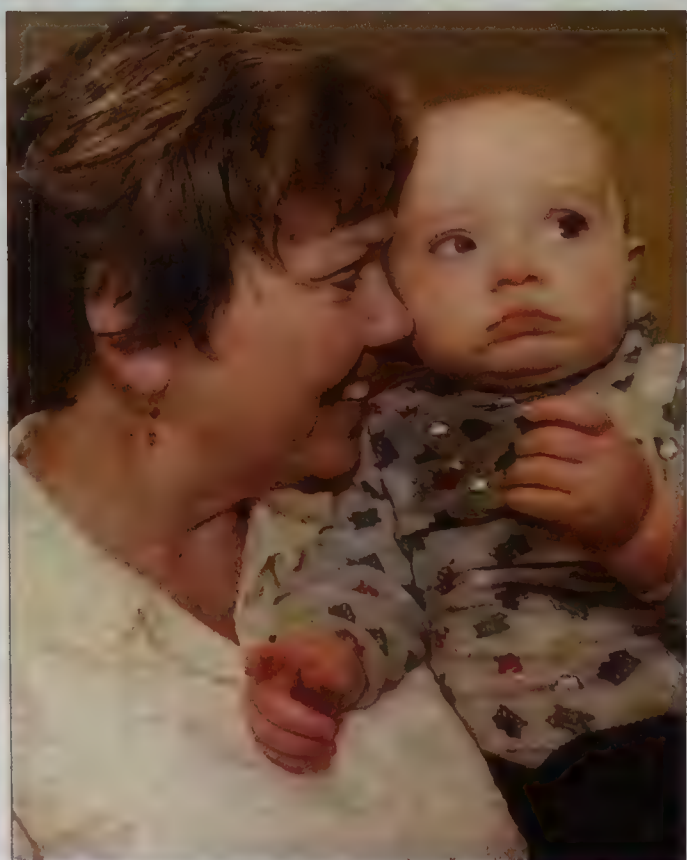


Above, throngs of people paid a visit to Campbell's new location at the renovated house on the rise on Hwy. 35 during last weekend. The neglected building was expected to be demolished, but Anne Neave purchased the building two years ago, saving the Minden landmark.

Far right, Pat Campbell comes up the stairs as a customer walks towards the rest of the building.

Right, Anne Neave with future employee? Neave nuzzles with her grandson, Aiden Neave at the grand opening.

Above, a little friend watches over customers on the first floor of Campbell's. A toy mouse can be seen through the floorboards of the second floor in the building.



quently sold the land to its first owner Eleanor (Ellen) Corbitt. Anne is the eighth private owner. As soon as she signed the documents she knew a lot of work was ahead of her. With the help of family and friends the project became not only hers, but everyone's close to her. Together they have put in hours upon hours of work.

"In the last month I've written the most number of cheques that I've written [in my life]. The last six weeks were hell for staff, family and for everybody," she said. "It was

scary, but it did get easier."

Neave's brother, Jerry Campbell, put the construction of his own house on hold to ensure the renovation of the old house was completed properly. "It was a real thrill to work on. It was nice to see the house preserved instead of bulldozed down," Campbell said.

To most people the building appeared unrepairable, but when he saw it and inspected the building's structure he knew it could be saved.

"Everybody thought the building was rotten. It was not rotten. It was in rough shape, but not rotten," he says. "The main structure of the house was extremely sound."

The entire renovation lasted more than a year and with the complications of removing the various thinners, varnishes and paints it pushed the finish date by more than six months. Ensuring that original materials were used was also quite difficult and time consuming. He believes that many old buildings can be saved if given a chance.

"Before you're going to bulldoze something down get an opinion from someone who is in the trade. It would have been a real crime to see it levelled," he said. "It was an honour and a thrill to hear people's comments: 'Wow, are we ever happy this wasn't torn down.'"

Now that the major work of the renovation is completed, Anne is just starting to feel more relaxed.

"It's easier now. Once the door opened the pressure left," she said.

Hundreds have thanked her since the opening and showed their support for her efforts in saving the building, including local politicians. Out of all the thank you's she is most appreciative of her son Graham's gesture.

"Graham shook his dad's hand and said, 'I wish you and mom all best - you deserve it,'" she said, hiding the tears amid laughter.

Although there are a few things that need to be done in and around the building, Neave is still soaking it all in and is content with the thought that this building will continue to stand for another 100 years.

"I think it is wonderful. I really don't think reality has set in yet," she said.

Neave wishes to thank husband Brad Neave, son Graham, daughters Rebecca and Kaitlin, brother Jerry Campbell, wife Kim and son Judd, nephews Jordan and Zachary Joanu, friends Scott and Marion Gartshore, Ron Mcclenaghan, and Brian Sisson and staff Lorraine Turrccotte, Julie Petch and Jody Joanu.



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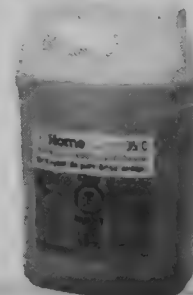


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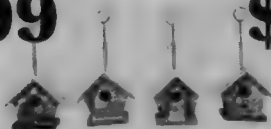
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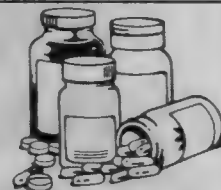
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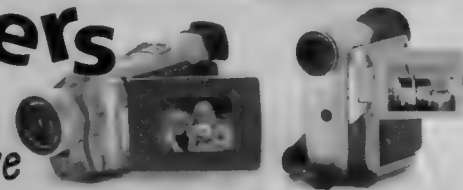
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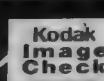
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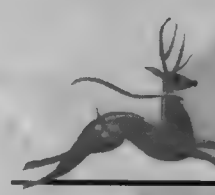
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Storm Bantams lost their opening game to Hunstville in the weekend Silver Stick tourney. See Tuesday's Echo for details

## Storm Peewee A team ties Manvers

by SHERRILL SHERWOOD  
*Special to The Times*

Dave Chapman's Peewee A Highland Storm team played for an enthusiastic crowd in Manvers on November 16. Looking slightly defeated at the end of the second period, with a 2-0 deficit weighing them down, the Storm team came pounding back into action in the third period.

Two quick goals to make it a tie game invigorated the bench, and the fans! These evenly matched teams challenged each other at both ends.

Manvers took the lead again 3-2, but the determined Highlanders battled back to tie it once more. This highly entertaining game ended in a 3-3 draw, with the promise of more high-jinx on November 29 when Manvers visits Minden.

After a slow start to the season, the talented Storm individuals have begun to merge into a cohesive unit. Helping head coach Dave Chapman on the bench are: Assistant Coach Bob Woodcock, Trainer Dave Sherwood and Manager Andy Paul.

The Peewee A roster includes Captain Logan Brown, Assistant Captain Matt Rae, Assistant Captain Ryan Sherwood, Jason Chapman, Kelsey Pierson, Ryan Smith, Mike Callaghan, Matt Gallagher, Robby Hicks, Brett Hicks, Craig Mulholland, Drew Paul and Luke Watson.

Doing an awesome job in net are Colton Dick and Nathan Woodcock.



Darren Lum/TIMES

## The Bowling scores

Carnarvon Lanes

### Tuesday Afternoon League

(November 13)

High average: Ken Thompson 212; Betty Henderson 187

High single: Doug Burtch 223; Shirley Webb 226

High single (handicap): Doug Burtch ; Shirley Webb 277

High triple: Ken Thompson 637; Betty Henderson 563

High triple (handicap): Doug Burtch 730, Betty Henderson 719

### Tuesday Afternoon League

High average: Ken Thompson 213; Lillian Mattsson 179

High single: Ken Thompson 265; Lillian Mattsson 262

High single (handicap): Robert McIvor 291; Lillian Mattsson 301

High triple: Ken Thompson 627; Lillian Mattsson 652

High triple (handicap): Bill Glendenning 753; Lillian Mattsson

### Wednesday Afternoon League

(November 19)

High average: Ken Thompson 213; Carol Snow 165

High single: John Pugh 238; Norma Terro 202

High single (handicap): Doug Vaughan

see BOWLING page 19

## Red Hawks undefeated in first five games

Red Hawks Mark Fisher is held up, but still manages to clear the puck from his zone, kicking the puck to his winger. HHSS destroyed the Holy Cross Hurricanes 10-3. The Red Hawks are undefeated in all five games they have played for 10 points. HHSS has amassed 32 goals for and have only allowed 14. Fisher has three points (one goal and two assists). Red Hawks Evan Kernohan is tied for the points lead scoring 13 points (10 goals and three assists) with Kenner Rams Jody Fitzgerald.

## Dorset's outdoor skating rink to get snow removal on weekends this year

by MARTHA PERKINS  
*Times staff*

Without anyone cleaning the snow from Dorset's outdoor rink to the community, this valuable resource to the community is being wasted, businessman Brad Robinson told Algonquin Highlands council.

"During the week the rink appears to be well-maintained every day; however, on weekends, when cottagers are here and local families have time to enjoy the rink, it is usually in an unusable state," Robinson said in a letter to Councillor

Kerry Lock. "It seems a waste to spend resources to keep it maintained during the week and then neglect it on the weekend."

"Given the resources we can do anything," responded Public Works Superintendent Brian Whetstone. "If council wants a full service rink seven days a week, we'll do it."

Because you can't expect the weather to follow a schedule, he said one option was having the employee who maintains the rink to be on-call to work weekends, banking hours which could be taken off

during the week. "It's a trade-off," Whetstone said.

Council decided to make a commitment to keeping the ice clear Wednesday to Sunday, the days of heaviest usage.

"Don't start thinking about a roof [for the rink]," Councillor Tom Gardner quipped.

Robinson's letter also included words of praise. He complimented council on how well-maintained the roads are in the winter, saying many newcomers are surprised and impressed by the quality of service.





Darren Lum/TIMES

## Silver Stick tournament attracts strong Bantam teams to town

NHL Hockey Hall of Fame referee and current Chairman and CEO of the Hockey Hall of Fame, Scotty Morrison, drops the ceremonial first puck to start the Silverstick hockey tournament on Saturday. Bantam AE Captains Eric Morin from Huntsville and Bill Kulas from the Storm took the face off. The Storm lost their opening game to the Huntsville Blues 6-1. They managed to break up the Blues shutout in the dying minutes of the game. The goal was scored by Jesse Tallmam, assisted by Derek Carpenter and Heather Mulholland. More than a hundred players participated in the tournament, coming from Huntsville, Bracebridge, Port Hope, Oro, Elmvale, Campbellford and Napanee. Games were being played in Minden at the S.G. Nesbitt Arena and Haliburton at the Dysart et al Arena. See extended coverage in future editions of *The Echo*.

## Bowling scores

from page 18

297; Norma Terro 274

High triple: John Pugh 630; Myra Marshall 524

High triple (handicap): Doug Vaughan 756; Jody Phipps 672

### Thursday Afternoon League

(November 20)

High average: Ken Thompson 206; Shirley Webb 179

High single: Alf Briscoe 242; Shirley Webb 233, Betty Henderson 223

High single (handicap): Paul Cameron 285; Betty Henderson 275

High triple: Ken Thompson 620; Shirley Webb 538

High triple (handicap): Merv Bunker 711; Shirley Webb 691

### Minden Hills Lanes

#### Monday Night Mixed Nov. 10

High average: Scott Moore 239; Cathy Snell 240

High single: Doug Reinwald 277; Rawn Loughheed 231

High triple: Larry Kent 653; Michelle Moore 579

High single (handicap): Craig Philip 286; Deb Cox 275

High triple (handicap): Gord Darby 687; Donna West 668

Bean Sprouts-7 def. 4 Peas & a Pod-0; Pickles & Melons-4 def. The Couch Potatoes-3;

Pork 'n Beans-7 def. Mixed Veggies-0;

#### Tuesday Night Mixed Nov 11

High average: Walt Stegmaier 232; Cathy Snell 234

High single: Rick West 305; Cathy Snell 284

High triple: Clive Bormanis 308; Cathy Snell 817

High single (handicap): Walt Stegmaier 777; Donna West 267

High triple (handicap): Gerry Wagg 792; Donna West 682

Apple Dumpling Gang-7 def. Banana Splits-0; The Spare

Pears-5 def. Lovely Bunch of Coconuts-2; Boyz n Berry-5 def. Fruit Cock & Tails-2

### Legion 636 Mixed League (November 17)

High average: Bob Vankoughnet 192;

High single: John Ritchie 269; June Anderson 177

High triple: John Ritchie 573; Flo Roussel 438

High single (handicap): John Ritchie 307; Marie Dennie 244

High triple (handicap): John Ritchie 687; Flo Roussel 651



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If you are interested in providing hands-on assistance to any of the above committees, please reply in writing, prior to December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003 to:

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All interested parties are asked to attend a MANDATORY INFORMATION SESSION for Wednesday, December 3, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. in the Heavy Equipment Board Room, Frost Campus, 200 Albert St., Lindsay, Ontario. Tenders will only be accepted from those in attendance at the information session.

Sealed tenders will be accepted, only at the Purchasing Department, Room 423 up to 11:00 a.m. local time, Friday, December 12, 2003. The tenders will be publicly opened at 11:05 a.m. Friday, December 12, 2003 in the Paul Scholfield Board Room, 5920, at the Brealey Building, 599 Brealey Dr., Peterborough, Ontario.

THE LOWEST OR ANY TENDER SUBMITTED WILL NOT NECESSARILY BE ACCEPTED.  
FAX SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

For further information please contact Sandy Lawrence, C.P.P., Director of Purchasing, 705-749-5554, Mike Signorotti, 705-749-5530 ext. 3308, or Craig Adams, The Greer Galloway Group Inc., Engineers & Planners, at 705-743-5780.



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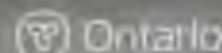
Please submit letter of application including a resume by November 28, 2003 to:

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Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce  
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The Canadian National Institute for the Blind is gearing up for its annual Focus on Crocus campaign, scheduled for February 2 - 7, 2004. Currently, it is recruiting an enthusiastic short-term volunteer team to work in logistical support, site management, on-site sales, community publicity and product delivery.

Between February 2 - 7, CNIB staff and volunteers will sell purple crocus plants for \$4 a pot or \$10 for three pots. Net proceeds from this campaign will support free local services to approximately 2,200 individuals who are blind, visually impaired and deafblind.

To join the team, please call Betty at 745-6918.

## Golfers to the fore for HHSSF

Dale Walker receives, on the behalf of Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation, a cheque for \$2,094 from Beaverbrook Golf Course owner Dave Stevens. The money was collected from golfers who rented golf carts over the past summer and donated the rental cost, which Beaverbrook then matched.

Doreen Lum/TIMES



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# Minden must restrict banners' location

by MATTHEW WALLS  
Times Staff

The following are brief reports from the November 20th Minden Hills township council meeting.

Council approved an agreement with Hydro One giving council permission to hang banners from a specific number of hydro poles.

Hydro One previously withdrew its permission for the township to hang banners from hydro poles for safety reasons.

Road Superintendent Kevin Hill said the banners can, during hurricanes or violent storms, cause the poles to break.

Councillor Peter Oyler asked Hill if banners could be hung between buildings instead of having to erect its own poles. According to Hill, a set of two poles costs \$1,700 plus taxes to install.

Hill said advertisers had already made their banners and couldn't change their size to fit the width between buildings.

Buchanan mildly scolded Hill for not including the rationale for Hydro's policy change in his report: "Kevin that should have been in the report. To me it looks like Hydro is trying to play Mr. Heavy."

All voted in favour of the by-law except Councillor Ingram Wessell.

## Don't leave it to beaver

Council briefly discussed the technicalities of reducing the beaver population in areas where dams were disturbing water levels.

Hill said the township hires trappers to kill beavers on municipal land, and usually waits until mid-November after hunting

season ends.

Transporting beavers, said Buchanan, is signing the beaver's death warrant. Councillor Ingram Wessell added that trapping the beavers during the fur-bearing season means the trapping doesn't go to waste.

## Budget matters

Oyler asked Chief Building Official Fraser MacDonald if he was going to be on budget.

"We're hoping to be close," MacDonald answered.

Those within the construction industry expect next year to be just as busy as this year, MacDonald said, so he doesn't expect a slowdown in revenue.

## Emergency calls on the rise

Minden Hills Fire Chief Doug Schell told council the fire department's had a major increase in calls, up from 11 in the same period last year to 53.

Schell added, in response to questioning from Oyler, that while he hopes the number of calls doesn't increase, "I'm sure it's going to."

Reeve Ross Rigney said he wanted taxpayers to know that "our budget will be affected by the increase in calls."

## End of an era and media complaints

At the closing of council's final meeting, each councillor took turns commenting on the past three years.

Oyler said he felt that while councillors had sometimes disagreed politically, this had created good debates and that is what

politics is about; it is in fact what democracy is about. He noted, however, that, "It's a shame that the press has decided to make it otherwise, but that's the press."

Oyler was not the only councillor to disparage the local media at Thursday's meeting. Last week's editorial in particular drew comments that the paper was opining on subjects it hadn't properly researched.

Coun. Ron Buchanan said, in response to Oyler, that the media wasn't bad all the time, and may even be useful. "It's good to shake us up every now and then," he said.

Wessell went further than Buchanan and tried to defend the paper from what he called unfair criticism.

In closing, Reeve Ross Rigney said, "We've disagreed but we've come together." Rigney said he looks forward to working with the two new councillors, Clayton Cameron and Cheryl Murdoch, who will both be valuable additions.

Rigney also praised outgoing councillor Bill Obee for his service to the municipality and the knowledge that he brought to council.

# Lutterworth man turns himself in month after shooting

After three weeks of living on the lam, a 50-year old Lutterworth man wanted on a warrant turned himself in to the Kawartha Lakes OPP on Friday.

Police have been looking for the man since October 31st, when the man was involved in an altercation with another man.

During the incident a firearm was discharged and the other man suffered a broken leg.

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## A royal twist in the works for May 24 in Minden

The May 24 weekend in Minden is getting a facelift, one that will return it to the era of its namesake Queen Victoria.

An enthusiastic group of volunteers from the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, the Minden Museum and the community plan to throw a day-long Victoria's Jubilee, replete with Victorian-era clothes, dances, music, poetry and food.

"It's a fun thing for residents, fun for adults and fun for kids," said Michael Fay, a volunteer on the Victoria's Jubilee planning committee.

Carol Simmons said the idea came from staff at Agnes Jamieson Gallery, who thought the community needed an old-fashioned festival. They chose May 24 as the date and then had to find something to celebrate. They discovered no one else in Ontario held Victoria Jubilee celebrations.

Last Thursday, the planning committee held its first meeting, attracting about 15 volunteers who brainstormed for ideas and ways of fundraising.

Workshops are to be held to teach those interested in Victorian dancing styles and costume making. Mickey Bonham told the audience she hopes many people will dress up for the occasion.

Victorian-style lunch kits will be prepared, with a pig or beef roast for the afternoon and possibly ice cream. The lunch kits may be

auctioned off similarly to a Victorian custom, with female buyers acquiring a Minden firefighter to share their lunch with.

The committee also hopes to involve students, who they suggested could make decorations at school as part of their studies, or volunteer as 'newsgirls' and 'newsboys' handing out paper resembling the Minden Echo from 1901, when Queen Victoria died.

A kind of Victorian Timbersports may also be part of the Jubilee, to allow participants to engage in activities their Minden ancestors might once have done.

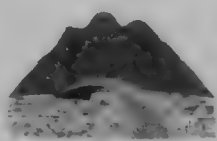
The Jubilee committee is contemplating renting a motorized train for the day to transport people from one downtown location to another. Most of the activities will be held at the fairgrounds, the museum and the lawn outside of the Wild Swan B & B on North Water St.

A dance will be held in the evening, and followed, perhaps, by fireworks. At this stage, organizers said, they are considering any good idea.

During his short speech, Fay said the group would seek funding from Heritage Canada and HRDC, as well as from the provincial government. Organizers did not speculate on how many they expect to attract, but are hoping to attract the Jubilee will attract both locals and city residents.



Sue Reid pours tea at the planning session for next year's Victoria Day events



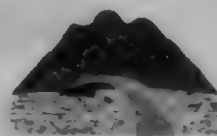
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### NOTICE

Please be advised that the Committee of the Whole/General Meeting normally scheduled for December has been cancelled and the regular Council meeting will be held on Thursday, December 11th, 2003

At 9:00 a.m.  
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### INVITATION

The Council of the  
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### INAUGURAL MEETING

to be held on Monday, December 1st, 2003  
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Each participant in the Challenge receives a ballot in our draw. The winner last year was the JD Hodgson Elementary School. In their name the Haliburton County Home Builders Association made a donation to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation.

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## THANK YOU



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**Councillor Peter E. Oyler**



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**T**HERE WAS A TIME when young Masai like Daniel Lemoyin hunted lions as a test of manhood.

Armed with spears, a group of youths from 16 to 20 would leave their village and track down a lion in the scrub forests. When they found one, they circled it. The lion looks out from the centre, staring everyone in the eye, looking for fear. You must stare at it unflinchingly, Daniel says. The lion knows by the eyes who will step aside if it charges.

Today, the lions are no longer hunted in Il-Ngwesi, a Kenyan village of 600 people that is Daniel's birthplace. Daniel lives in a park reserve; the village needs tourists, and tourists need lions.

We are walking along a trail at Kinark Outdoor Centre, where Daniel and his roommate Jumanne Sengo Nzungu, a Sukuma from Tanzania, do volunteer work as part of a Canada World Youth program.

I had arranged to spend most of the day with them to learn how they found Haliburton and see what they did each day. Upon meeting, both were extremely friendly, wordless but with eager and engaging smiles. They said later they are still improving their English.

At 20, Jumanne is younger by a year, yet with his slow, earnest style of talking and stout frame, he seems the elder. Daniel is tall and gangly, and gestures with expressive abandon, his body loosely hinged and at times folded upon itself like origami. It is not at all odd for Daniel to answer a question with his head resting on his shoulder.

In their two months at Kinark, the two have planted trees, built wooden duck nests and a dock and repaired signs on the trail. The day I visited them they are typing on a computer, updating a Kinark boardwalk guide on the area's flora. It is the first computer either has used, and Daniel squints at the keyboard

looking for letters.

Daniel and Jumanne left their villages in late August, along with 24 other Kenyans and Tanzanians, to do volunteer work in Haliburton and, they hoped, learn how their villages can save the lions and trees of their tropical forests.

Their villages are poor and the people often place their survival before the forests'; trees and shrubs are used for firewood, destroying the land's fragile ecosystem and the animals' habitat.

Things are changing, however, as the villagers learn that by ensuring a better life for their forests will better their own lives.

Daniel and Jumanne's villages — Il-Ngwesi in Kenya and Kisuke in northern Tanzania — were two of 27 villages rewarded by the United Nations Development Program for creating innovative sustainable development projects. The villages were part of the Equator Initiative founded by the UNDP in 2002. The initiative tries to reduce poverty by encouraging the sustainable use of the region's natural resources.

Daniel's village won for its community-run eco-tourism business, which Daniel refers to as 'the lodge.' A gardening project in Jumanne's village won it an award.

Of the 27 villages that won awards, four of them, two in Kenya and two in Tanzania, were chosen by Canada World Youth for a three-country exchange.

Twelve Kenyans and 12 Tanzanians, along with 12 Canadians from across the country, are spending three months in Haliburton. In December they leave for two months on the Il Ngwesi Group Ranch in Daniel's village, and the final two months working on a soil conservation project in a community in Northern Tanzania.

Jumanne, who goes by the name of J4, was playing a casual game of soccer in his village



With no tv at his host family's house, Daniel Lemoyin of Kenya has taken to playing crokinole. He and Jumanne Sengo Nzungu from Tanzania are living north of Minden as part of Canada World Youth

when a village elder called him aside and asked if he wanted to go to Canada.

In the next few weeks, Jumanne says, he went through several interviews where he was asked what he knew about sustainable development.

"I said, 'my community does not save rain forest, so maybe I can learn how to conserve rain forest.'"

He worried about discrimination, but a villager who had been to Vancouver told him

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# Haliburton is full of surprises

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that Canada was a developed country, with 'very nice people.' Jumanne says he "knew then that Canada is a good country."

Two months in Haliburton have not changed his opinion. Both Jumanne and Daniel, who come from villages without paved roads or motor vehicles, were impressed by how patient and respectful the people they have met are. "They have respect for road rules," Jumanne explained. "They respect everything."

But they were surprised to see so few people their own age. They had expected to make many friends, and when they asked around, they were told the younger people all left to study at universities or colleges.

And then?, they asked. "What about others who have finished study? Where are they?"

In their villages, the two say, though some youths leave to study in the cities, many return to work at home. Daniel, for instance, hoped that by coming here, he would "see a different culture and enlarge his knowledge," but he would also "learn how to reduce poverty in [his] community."

What they have learned was not exactly what they expected. Jumanne envisioned a school, with classes on sustainable development; instead, he found himself, much to his surprise, doing manual labour, which makes him laugh now.

Each participant in the program is given the choice of work location from a group of local organizations participating in the study. They spend most of the week at work



As part of their volunteer work at Kinark Outdoor Centre, the two Canada World Youth participants have built a boardwalk. Learning about eco-tourism was one of the reasons why they wanted to come here.

and then one day with all the Canada World Youth volunteers.

Jumanne chose Kinark over the others – the Haliburton Forest & Wildlife Reserve, Camp Wanakita, the Fish Hatchery, Trails & Tour Network, Eco-Tourism at Sir Sandford Fleming College and Waverly Brook Farm – because he thought he'd spend most of his time outdoors.

Realizing he'd made a mistake, he was, he admits, disappointed. Others were learning about fish, or teaching kids in school, something he wants to do in the future.

The two have taken advantage of the centre's books on tourism to learn more about the industry, and with a computer to share between the two of them, have sorted out the basics to computer use, typing letters to send back at home and getting their first email address.

Kinark's director, Jim McHardy, said the centre provided work related to eco-tourism for Jumanne and Daniel to do such as transplanting trees and working on the trails.

Much of their time, however, has been spent indoors

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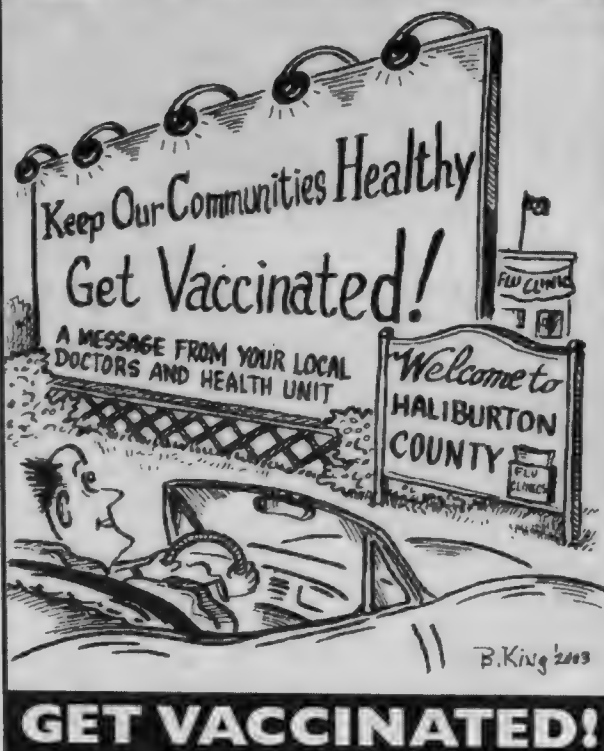
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# Computers make a world of difference

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learning how to use the computers, which is not exactly like studying about ecotourism.

"Ironically, what is useful to them is sitting at a computer and improving those skills."

Later when we returned to their house, Daniel changed into a shuka. It was a brilliant red and aqua blue, glossy and flimsy like gossamer. He wore three shukahs actually, wrapped around his body like a scarf or shawl. Around his neck, he now wore three necklaces so long they tangled when he tried to take one off to show me.

Daniel said only the Masai still wear the shuka. Jumanne, a Sukuma from Northern Tanzania, had no outfit to display. City people many years ago came to his village of Kisuke and told the villagers only primitive people wear these clothes — "You are primitive, you are still not developed." Now only doctors wear the shuka. Jumanne laconically remarked that the Sukuma, like the other 112 Tanzanian tribes, have "forgotten their culture."

The house where Daniel and Jumanne live belongs to Doug Adworth and Kate Hall. Their place near Brady Lake, not far from Kinark, is actually three small buildings loosely clustered in a clearing on their forested lot.

Electricity comes from a solar panel atop an old trailer home, and from a generator. Heating in the small, wooden house is propane and a propane truck pulls up just after we arrive. A cabin back of the house serves as Doug's workshop.

"We wanted to get off the grid," explains Doug.

A television sits in one corner of the house, but it doesn't receive any stations and is used only for movies.

Without the normal entertainment gadgets, Daniel and Jumanne get out a crokinole board that Doug says they've strong-

ly taken to. "They're pretty competitive about it." He warns them to take it easy on me.

They are both good sports; after watching them play a couple of games, I beat them both one after the other. Their appetite to win is hardly dulled, however, and in game after game they quickly end my beginner's streak.

Doug, talking from the kitchen, said he and Kate first decided to be hosts after seeing an ad in the newspaper. When they found out they were chosen to host the two, Doug quickly made sure he learned something about their homelands.

It helps him understand where they are coming from, he says. "I've got an appreciation where both countries are at present."

After dinner, the four of them usually share stories about their homes. Neither Kate nor Doug has been to Africa. Habits, as the saying goes, die hard, however. Jumanne never told his host parents about his girlfriend back home. It is a secret he keeps from his real parents as well; having a girlfriend is not an accepted custom. Although his society is changing, this is one custom that hasn't. Before he left, his father reminded him that at home he would still be a Sukuma.

"He said, 'If you go there, you can be a global person. But if you come back, you must be a local person.'"

Jumanne is not sure in what ways his time here will change his life. The lifestyles of men and women are greatly different from home, and it has been strange for him to hug other women. But it is not a lifestyle he objects to, either here or when he returns.

"In my physical appearance, I will be like my people. But in the mind, I will be very wide."

Dinner that evening was pasta and salad. A brief moment of silence is part of family custom at the beginning of dinner. With

Kate working late in Peterborough, it is just the three of us — a plate has been graciously set on the table for me. Doug and I each have a glass of wine; the other two take juice. Neither drinks alcohol.

Being a Masai, Daniel is used to only drinking milk. The Masai get most of their diet from their cattle. Daniel's father, like most Masai, has a small herd of cows. The cows provide most of their dietary needs: beef, milk and sometimes blood.

Doug and Kate have started buying 2% milk for Daniel. "Milk here," Daniel says, "is like water."

They also try to ensure that Daniel gets a daily staple of meat. Jumanne, who is used to eating rice, maize, beans and yams as well as goat meat, is not as fussy.

At the dinner, Daniel picks at his noodles with his fork, then, at Doug's reminder, picks up his spoon to eat his pasta like the Italians do.

When we've finished, Daniel looks to me and motions outside. Daniel smokes. He gives me my third cigarette of the day, and we stand against the house out of the drizzling rain.

I ask Daniel if he has ever seen the Robert Redford and Meryl Streep movie *Out of Africa*. Redford, a big-game hunter, works with a Masai; he tells Streep that a Masai, when put in jail, cannot stand it, because he has no sense of time. It is a remark that has all the intellectual confidence of the benevolent colonialist.

He says the movie has it wrong — the Masai do speak in future and past tenses.

Earlier, Daniel had told me that he was one of the few in his village to have left Africa. Others had left on military service to other African countries, and he wanted to follow them. "I dreamed to go outside my country, but now I've gone very far from Africa, not just my country."

As we stand there smoking in the dark, Daniel does what I realize I wanted him to do, and what is likely still a new habit for him — he asks me for my email address. To him I am no longer just a journalist interviewing him, and to me he is no longer the Masai I didn't know. Both of us have realized this day-in-the-life profile doesn't have to end today.



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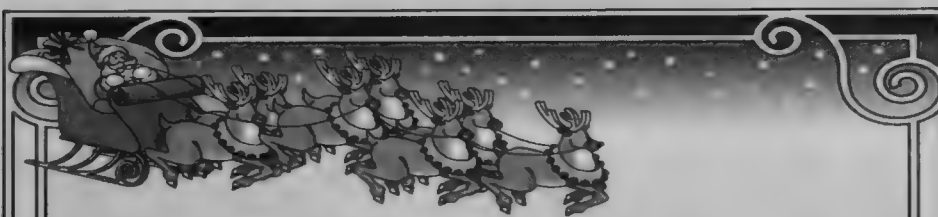
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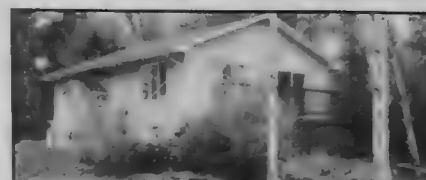
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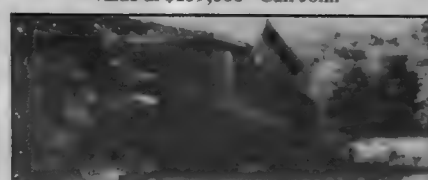
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Come meet Morgan at 1 p.m. on Sunday. The showtime has been moved up to allow families to enjoy the Haliburton Santa Claus Parade at 2:30 p.m. the same afternoon.

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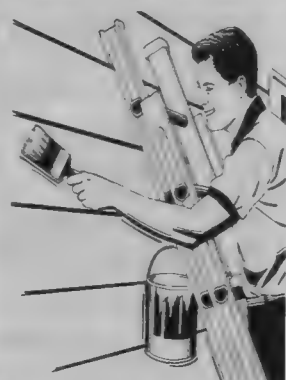
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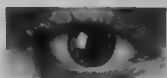
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There are still some seats available for the Kinmount Seniors bus trip to Casino Rama coming up on Thursday, November 27. The bus leaves from the Legion at 9:15 a.m. The cost is \$4.00 which includes transportation

and lunch. To book a spot call Mildred at 488-2728.

Kinmount United Church will come together for a special Advent Service - Joint Service of Worship with Coboconk, Burnt River and Norland Churches in Burnt River United Church on Sunday, November 30th at 11:00 a.m. with lunch to follow.

On the following Sunday December 7 Kinmount United Church will be holding a Carol Service at the Church on Cluxton Avenue, Kinmount at 2 p.m. Come and enjoy the familiar music of the season and hear about the stories behind these beloved old songs. Everyone is welcome to stay after the Service for fellowship and refreshments.

Thanks to Ida Young for calling in the results from the Big Bucks Bid Euchre held at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441 on November 19. Adele Bryce was the first place winner with Norm Lane second and Helen Frain third. Pearl Cowen had the hidden score and 15 moonshots were recorded. The next "B.B.B. Euchre" will be held upstairs at the Legion on Wednesday, December 17th at 11 a.m. This is a no smoking event, seating is limited and advance tickets are strongly recommended. For information contact Ida at 488-2489.

Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

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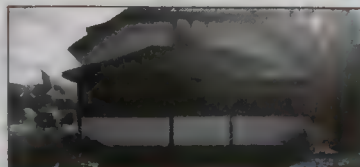


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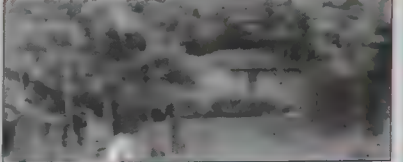


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# There's a great deal of card playing to keep people busy

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**Thursday, November 13 euchre at the Minden Legion Branch 636:** In the most lone hands column it was Carol Hill for the ladies and Norm Lee for the gents. High score honours went to Edith Burch and Kevin Maloney while Helen Skelding took ladies low and Laura Carnegie low representing the men. Other prizes went to Norm Lee, Pearl Cowen, Jim Thompson, Kay and Tom Orr. Thanks to May Bradbury for this update.

**Friday, November 14 bid euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake:** Mary Pearson reports a good turnout to see single moonshots won by Cliff Davison, Barb Robitaille, and Rob Evans while Chris Clarke recorded two. Barb also led the pinks at 238 followed by Sharon Evans 221 and Mary Pearson 215. Topping the charts for the white cards was Tom Pearson 255 with Alf Helleman 231 second and Alvin Cowen 215 third. The hidden score was uncovered by Colleen Davison.

**Friday, November 14 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton:** Using the Howell system Joan Galley and Ross Fletcher were first at 57% with Jacqueline and Kelly Metcalf second at 55%. Tied for third at 54% were Norma Crewson partnered with Vic Mathews and Muriel and Doug McIntosh.

**Saturday, November 15 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden:** In first place was Rob Evans 319 with Kevin Maloney 262 second and Iris Taylor 249 third. Pat Roussel, Pearl Cowen and Norm Lee were also in the winners' circle along with Margaret Fletcher and Don Burch who took the special prizes. November birthdays were celebrated with much thanks to Isobel Cherwenka for baking the delicious birthday cake.

**Monday, November 17 euchre at the Friendship Club, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden:** The most lone hands awards for ladies/men went to Marion Stickwood and Tim Sharpe who also won a draw prize along with Gwen Cox. Ladies/men's high scores were recorded by Laura Carnegie and Jesse Barlow while our reporter Katie Parker tallied up the afternoon's low. Two very special ladies who do so much to keep the "Friendship Club" aptly named celebrated their birthdays. Congratulations go to Jeanne Keliele and Laura Carnegie.

**Monday, November 17 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden:** Cecil Smith was a double winner taking both high hands and the special prize. For lone hands the honours went to Gala Stamp while Beulah Hewitt had the prize for low hands.

**Monday, November 17 euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake:** Barb Robitaille held the most lone hands and Stan Dutka carried home the baloney. For the men Alvin Cowen was high and Cliff Davison low while Jean Dutka led for the ladies with Pearl Kernohan recording the low.

**Monday, November 17 cribbage at the Minden Legion Branch 636:** In first place was Gwen Cox with Don Burch second.

Elva Paisley reports that the other prizes went to Maxine Cross along with Edith and Don Burch.

**Tuesday, November 18 bid euchre at the Minden Legion Branch 636:** Marie Dennie reports that Phyllis Windsor was first at 287 then Thelma Francis 242 second and Gala Stamp 233 third. A single moonshot went to Norm Lee who also uncovered a hidden score along with Iris Taylor and Helen Lieffman.

**Tuesday, November 18 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Social Club Mixed Shuffleboard:** The duo of our reporter Syd Lockhart and Helen Skelding were first with an impressive 403 followed by Betty Lockhart and Laura Carnegie 344 and Belle Walker partnered with Hazel Dorman 304. Pearl Cowen and Verna Sawyer teamed up to record the afternoon's low of 139.

**Tuesday, November 18 euchre at Lochlin:** It was the largest crowd yet with Don Hicks taking the men's high and Ted Wilkins the low. For the ladies Helen Burk recorded the high score and Barbara Carpenter the low. Lone hand honours went to Hazel Benetin while Ralph Young won the special draw. The community is saddened by the loss of the founder of these card games Bessie Burk. Our sympathy goes out to the Burk and Hicks families.

**Tuesday, November 18 contract bridge at Stanhope:** There was a single Small Slam played by Dorothy Strype and Mary McNeice. Dorothy Strype also led the high scoring quartet with 6370 points followed by Len McNeice 5000, Kelly Metcalf 4570 and Stella McMillan 4340. Lucky draw winner Jacqueline Metcalf congratulated Dorothy on her "Q. F. A. D." Award agreeing that this "Queen For A Day" really was in a class by herself.

**Wednesday, November 19 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton:** In North/South Gladys Fajar and Norma Crewson were first at 57% with Stella McMillan and Ross Davies a close second at 56%. For East/West the winners were Mayme Douglas and Reet Murray 59% followed by Ev and Fred Vanderland 54%.

**Wednesday, November 19 bid euchre at Stanhope:** Moonshots went to Milton Fletcher, Jane Swick and Pearl Foster. Katie Parker led the pinks at 298 with Pearl Cowen and Gala Stamp tied for second at 275 and Jean Dutka 265 third. Marcel Roussel topped the charts for the white cards at 303 with Norm Lee next at 235 and Bill Milford 233 third. Sharon Evans is deserving of Honourable Mention for her 2 points. Gala Stamp thanks everyone for their contributions to a really nice Pot Luck before cards.

**Wednesday, November 19 Kinmount Seniors euchre at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441:** For the ladies Theresa Deak was high and Sally Taylor low with Theresa also winning for most lone hands. Leading the gents was Jim Corbett, Truman McNeil recorded the men's low while Gerald Silver won the draw.

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- **September 15 to May 31, 2004:** Adult Badminton, Mondays 7:45pm to 9:45pm. Fun, Fellowship & Fitness. At Archie Stouffer Elementary School. Phone: 286-1765.
- **The Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre** invites you to come and experience our exciting Self-Care workshops. Each workshop runs from 1 to 3pm. Advanced Registration Required. Limited Spaces Available. For a list of workshops with dates call 705-748-5901.
- **Family Services of Haliburton County** is in urgent need of volunteer respite workers, someone who can be a special "buddy" and share your interests, or plan a fun activity with a child who has special needs in Tory Hill, Halls Lake, Haliburton, Donald, & Cardiff. Please call Marilou at Family Services 457-5345 ext 308 and find out more about our volunteer program.
- **Climax Climbing Club** - a drop-in indoor rock climbing program for children, youth & families offered by Family Services. Every Tuesday ending April 13th (excluding school holidays) at Camp Madeeba in West Guilford. Call 457-5345 for more details.
- **November 24:** Alzheimer Society Support Group, Haliburton 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at the Alzheimer Office-Adult Child Group. For more information contact Janet Bottom 457-8335.
- **November 27, 28 & 29:** Annual Sale by the Minden Auxillary of the HHHS. All items in the gift shop will be tax free. Noon to 4pm. Includes a bake sale. Noon to 3pm (Saturday).
- **November 27:** The Alzheimer Society of Victoria County is hosting a free session "Overview of Income Security Programs" with guest speakers. Open to everyone. 1:00 p.m. at the HN&V Access Centre - 108 Angeline St.S. Lindsay, ON. in the Kawartha Pineridge Room. Call (705) 878-0126.
- **November 27 & 28:** Annual Sale by the Minden Auxillary of the HHHS. All items in the gift shop will be tax free. From noon to 4pm (Includes a bake sale). Also November 29th from 10am to 3pm.
- **November 28:** The Haliburton County Children's Choir in Concert. Galway Hall at 7:30 pm. For more information contact Diane Austin 488-2635 or Joyce Brown 488-2687.
- **November 28:** Norland United Church Women's Annual Christmas Dinner - 7:30 pm to 9pm. & Nov. 29th, 10am to 3pm. Time to do your "Special" Christmas shopping.
- **November 29:** The proud pioneers of Extendicare are holding their annual Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale 10am to 2pm. Donations of home-made crafts, knitted goods, baking & white elephants would be greatly appreciated.
- **November 29 to December 20:** A Christmas Festival at the Lindsay Gallery. Locally made art and fine crafts. Call 324-1780 for more info.
- **November 29:** Lindsay Gallery Volunteer annual Christmas Craft and Bake Sale 11am to 4pm at the Lindsay Gallery. 190 Kent St.W. 2nd floor, Lindsay Library. 324-1780.
- **December 3:** The Laryngectomee and Family Support Group welcomes Laryngectomees and their families to its monthly meeting from 2 to 3:30pm at the Canadian Cancer Society at 727 Lansdowne St.W. in Peterborough. Contact CCS at 705-742-3823 or Jim Riel at 705-745-3178.
- **December 3:** Join Home Support for their Annual Christmas Luncheon at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton. Call Roxanne or Sheri at 457-2941 to reserve your tickets.
- **December 4:** Kinmount Celebrates "Light Across Canada" Join us for our annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at 7pm. Austin Heritage Park Rail Station.
- **December 4:** Alzheimer Society of Victoria County support group at the Kinmount & District Health Care, lower level. Open group. 10:30 a.m.
- **December 5:** Join the Home Support for their second Christmas Luncheon in the Minden United Church. Call Roxanne or Sheri at 457-2941 to reserve your tickets.
- **December 6:** Santa's Workshop Craft Sale & Flea market presented by the First Wilberforce Pathfinder Unit. 9am to 3pm at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce. Call Kathy Roger at 705-448-2419 or 705-448-3652.
- **December 10:** Lochlin United Church Annual Community "Old Fashioned Carol Sing" at 7:30 pm - Church Rd. off County Rd #1, Lochlin. Refreshments; hot cider & Christmas goodies following. Donations to the Food Banks accepted.
- **Alzheimer Society of Peterborough and Area Membership Drive.** Win a \$50 gift certificate from Red Lobster! Join the Alzheimer Society or renew your Membership between Sept.1 & Dec 31 and have your name put into a draw with the winner being announced during January Awareness Month. Call the Peterborough Office at 705-748-5131 or 800-561-2588 for more information.
- **December 14:** Santa Claus Parade at 2pm. Main Street, Kinmount. For more info call 488-2635.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events and in the Highlands.



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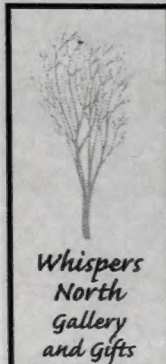
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**SHOWS**  
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 Northern Lights Pavilion  
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**Stanhope Fire Fighter's**  
**CHILDREN'S**  
**CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
**December 13, 2003**  
*At the Stanhope*  
*Community Centre*  
 Registration begins at 12  
 p.m.  
 Donations for the  
 Food Bank accepted

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**West Guilford Annual**  
**CRAFT & BAKE SALE**  
**West Guilford**  
**Community Centre**  
**SATURDAY, NOV. 29/03**  
 Doors open 9 am  
 Lunch available, vendors  
 welcome.  
 For tables call Myra  
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### 300 ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BILLY-JOHN AND MELISSA**  
 are so excited and want to tell  
 everyone...our mommy, Jane  
 Chapman, daughter of the  
 late Jack Chapman of  
 Colborne, and Donna  
 Chapman of Colborne, is  
 going to marry our "Daddy-  
 Bear" Rick Martin, son of  
 Leonard Martin and Freda  
 Martin of Vernier, Ontario.  
 Our families will join May 29,  
 2004, in Minden, Ontario.

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## SKATING

**Sunday**  
**November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2003**

**Minden**  
**3-5 pm**

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### 350 WEDDINGS/ ANNIVERSARIES

*Family and Friends of*  
**EARL & DORIS BARTLEY**  
 of Norland  
 are invited to  
 help them celebrate their  
**50th WEDDING**  
**ANNIVERSARY**  
**Saturday, November 29th**  
 at the Norland  
 Community Hall  
**from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**  
*Best Wishes only!*

### 370 BIRTHDAYS

*Family of*  
**CAROL DUNCAN**  
 invite you to help celebrate  
 her  
 80th BIRTHDAY  
**Sunday, November 30**  
**from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
 at her home on Grass Lake  
*No Gifts please!*

### 380 BIRTHS

**Kirk and Dale Smith**  
**BABY BOY!**  
**8 lb., 6 oz.**  
**BRENDEN GREGORY**  
**Born November 14, 2003**  
**at Lindsay's**  
**Ross Memorial Hospital**  
 Grandparents are  
 Rick and Doreen Kellestine  
 from Minden  
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 and many Great  
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 the taxpayers that took the  
 time to vote for me, in the  
 past election. Can't promise  
 to solve all your problems  
 but I am willing to listen. Call  
 705-454-3208 anytime.

**LES AND DOREEN PACEY**  
 wish to thank everyone for  
 coming to our wedding and  
 for the lovely gifts and best  
 wishes!

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH**  
 thanks the generous donors  
 of shoe boxes, for operation  
 Christmas Child, that will  
 bring cheer to 135 children.

### 460 OBITUARIES

**BESSIE ALETHA BURK**  
 Passed away peacefully  
 at Hyland Crest Senior  
 Citizens Home, Minden,  
 on Monday,  
**November 17, 2003**  
**In her 93rd year.**  
 Beloved wife of the late  
 Russell Levi Burk (1978).  
 Dear mother of Betty and  
 her husband Gerald Hicks  
 of Lochlin, Neil and his wife  
 Norma of Minden. Loving  
 grandmother of Bev (Pat),  
 Dave (Helen), Roger (Kelly),  
 Andrea (Lee Donaldson),  
 Andrew (Tracy), Abby  
 (Chad), great grandmother  
 of Joel, Rachel, Holly,  
 Emily, Aaron, Andi, Jaxon,  
 Maddox and predeceased  
 by her great grandson  
 Jason. Dear sister of  
 Margaret Burke, Bill  
 Peacock, Alice Hughes and  
 predeceased by Lizzie Burk,  
 Bob Peacock, Dick  
 Peacock. Friends were invit-  
 ed to visit the family at the  
 Gordon A. Monk Funeral  
 Home Ltd., 127 Main St.,  
 Minden, on Wednesday,  
 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Fu-  
 neral Service was held in  
 the chapel on Thursday,  
 November 20, 2003 at 1:00  
 p.m. Reception followed in  
 the family centre at the fu-  
 neral home. Interment at In-  
 goldsby Pioneer Cemetery.  
 Memorial donations to the  
 Hyland Crest Residents  
 Council or the charity of  
 your choice would be ap-  
 preciated by the family.

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### 460 OBITUARIES

**CHRISTINA MACKAY**  
**PERGOLAS**  
**In her 86th year.**  
 It is with great sadness  
 that the family of Christina  
 announce her passing on  
**November 19, 2003,**  
**with family by her side.**  
 She will be deeply missed  
 by her husband and best  
 friend Edward and by her  
 children Candice of Guelph  
 and Phillip and his wife  
 Aysha of Toronto, grandchil-  
 dren Calin, Gabriel, Justin  
 and Ashley, great grandchil-  
 dren Jasmine and Chelsea,  
 nephew Gordon, brother-  
 in-law Peter, sister-in-law  
 Phyllis and family, as well  
 as other family members,  
 many friends and friends of  
 Rotary. Christina was a War  
 Bride who came to Canada  
 in 1945. Chris and Eddie  
 celebrated their 60th wed-  
 ding anniversary this past  
 March and it was a wonder-  
 ful celebration attended by  
 many family and friends.  
 Chris was much loved and  
 respected in her community  
 and has been a resident of  
 Minden for the past 32  
 years. She received the  
 Paul Harris Fellowship from  
 the Rotary and for 15 years  
 has been a member of the  
 Legion. We'll all miss you.  
 We would also like to thank  
 the nurses and doctors at  
 the Minden Hospital and the  
 Ross Memorial Hospital for  
 their kindness and support.  
 There will be a Celebration  
 of Life Service for Chris at  
 the Gordon A. Monk Funeral  
 Home Ltd., 127 Main St.,  
 Minden, on Saturday, No-  
 vember 29, 2003 at 1:00  
 p.m. Reception to follow in  
 the family centre at the Fu-  
 neral Home. In lieu of flow-  
 ers, contributions to the  
 Minden Hospital Building  
 Fund in her name would be  
 appreciated.

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### 460 OBITUARIES

**J. MURRAY ROBERTSON**  
 Passed away at Halibur-  
 ton Hospital, on Saturday,  
**November 15, 2003**  
**At the age of 90**  
 Dear husband of Helen.  
 Loved and respected by his  
 daughter Gena Robertson  
 (Ric Pringle) of Haliburton  
 and by his son Larry Robert-  
 son (Pom Sailasuta) of Cali-  
 fornia. Remembered by his  
 brother Glen Robertson  
 (Doreen) of Haliburton, by  
 his nephew James A.  
 Shields of Toronto and pre-  
 deceased by his sister  
 Grace Klemm. Murray's an-  
 cestors were some of the  
 first settlers in Haliburton  
 County and Murray cher-  
 ished and shared the history  
 of the area and many an-  
 tiques with museums and  
 residents. He was known for  
 his creative mind and held  
 patents on several of his in-  
 ventions. Murray and Helen,  
 his wife of 58 years, owned  
 and operated the Northern  
 Eagle Resort for many  
 years. Friends were invited  
 to visit the family at the Gor-  
 don A. Monk Funeral Home  
 Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden,  
 on Tuesday, November 18,  
 2003 from 1:00 p.m. until  
 the time of Memorial Service  
 at 2:00 p.m. Cremation has  
 taken place. In lieu of flow-  
 ers, please consider a dona-  
 tion to SIRCH Community  
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**SHAWN NEWSON**  
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 unexpectedly at home  
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 on Thursday,  
**October 30, 2003**  
**at the age of 20**  
 Dear son of Frank and the  
 late Joanne Newson (1999).  
 Beloved son of Ross and  
 Joan Warburton, lovingly  
 remembered by Dwayne  
 (Tammy), Christine (Dave  
 MacAusland), Cory (Terri-  
 Anne) and by their families.  
 Nephew of John and  
 Colleen Newson, Shawn will  
 be greatly missed by the  
 Warburton, Newson and  
 Dorion families. Friends  
 were invited to visit the fam-  
 ily at the Gordon A. Monk  
 Funeral Home Ltd., 127  
 Main St., Minden, on Sun-  
 day afternoon from 3:00  
 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Funeral  
 Service was held in the  
 Chapel on Monday, Novem-  
 ber 3, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. In-  
 terment at Ingoldsby  
 Pioneer Cemetery. Memorial  
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 burton Highlands Health  
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 (H.H.H.S.F.) would be ap-  
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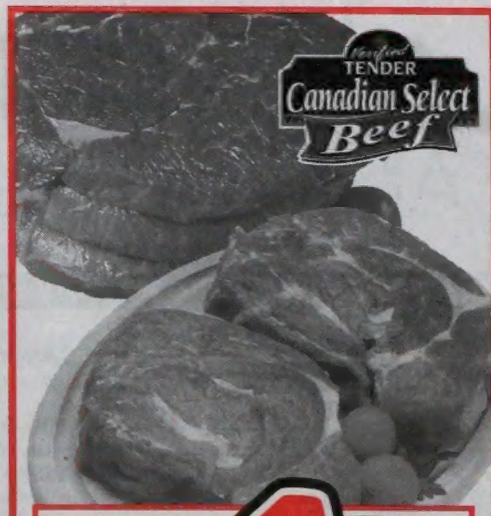
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